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REF: A-3046 OF APRIL 30, 1975 (A) BTN 0840 (B), AND STATE 135986

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1. AS REQUESTED IN REFERENCE (A), BRIDGETOWN'S STATISTICS ARE AS FOLLOWS: THE TOTAL NUMBER OF NONIMMIGRANT VISAS ISSUED IN 1974 WAS 12,565. OF THAT NUMBER, 1,907 BUSINESS VISAS WERE ISSUED, 7,988 VISITOR VISAS WERE GRANTED, AND 949 COMBINATION BUSINESS AND VISITOR VISAS WERE PROCESSED. THE BALANCE WAS COMPOSED OF ALL OTHER CATEGORIES OF NONIMMIGRANT VISAS. MORE COMPLETE STATISTICS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE VISA OFFICE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WHICH RECEIVES SEMI-ANNUAL AND ANNUAL REPORTS OF THIS NATURE.

2. THE EMBASSY'S ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1975 ARE 29,279 NON-IMMIGRANT VISA ISSUANCES, 36,300 ISSUANCES IN 1976, AND 38,000 ISSUANCES IN THE YEAR 1977. THE PRONOUNCED INCREASES IN THE EMBASSY'S PROJECTIONS ARE DUE TO LEGISLATION PENDING BEFORE CONGRESS WHICH WOULD ELIMINATE THE VISA WAIVER FOR MANY ALIENS WHO CURRENTLY ENTER THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS AND PUERTO RICO WITHOUT VISAS.

3. FOR YOUR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, THE EMBASSY'S CONSULAR DISTRICT SPANS AN AREA OF APPROXIMATELY 800 MILES, AND COMPRISES NINE DIFFERENT ISLAND GROUPINGS. FOR THIS REASON, IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO EFFICIENTLY GATHER INFORMATION RELATIVE TO QUESTIONS 3 AND 4 OF REFERENCE (A).

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4. PER REFTTEL (B), SINCE WE DO NOT ENCOURAGE TRAVEL TO US AS A
MATTER OF POLICY, WE DO NOT NEED TRAVEL MATERIAL, OR PROPOSE TO
ESTABLISH CLOSER RELATIONS WITH TRAVEL AGENTS.
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